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Prenatal and Postpartum CPT Coding Changes effective January 1, 2027

Summary:

To align with updated CMS guidance, CPT coding used to support reporting of the Prenatal and Postpartum Care (PPC) measure is being updated. **Beginning January 1, 2027, bundled prenatal and postpartum CPT codes will be retired and replaced with revised and new phase-specific codes.**

What's Changing? The update deletes 17 codes, adds 12 codes, and revises six codes. It also introduces new subsections, updates guidelines, and relocates certain existing codes.

Retired: Existing bundled prenatal/postpartum CPT codes will no longer be used.

Revised: Certain CPT codes have updated descriptions and reporting requirements.

New: New phase-specific CPT codes have been established for prenatal and postpartum care reporting. Providers should coordinate with billing, coding, and EHR vendors to ensure systems are updated before January 1, 2027.

Benefits of the Coding Updates

The transition from bundled CPT coding to phase-specific prenatal and postpartum coding supports more accurate and consistent quality measurement while aligning with CMS reporting expectations.

- Improve reporting accuracy by capturing prenatal and postpartum services at the appropriate stage of care.
- Support more precise quality measurement for the Prenatal and Postpartum Care (PPC) measure.
- Align with CMS guidance by replacing bundled billing codes with phase-specific reporting.
- Increase consistency in quality reporting across providers, health plans, and reporting programs.
- Support maternal health initiatives by providing more detailed data on prenatal and postpartum care delivery.
- Reduce coding ambiguity through clearer identification of prenatal and postpartum encounters.

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RETIRED CPT CODES:

The following bundled CPT codes will be retired and should not be reported for dates of service on or after January 1, 2027.

Retired CPT Code	Description
59050, 59400, 59409, 59410, 59425, 59426, 59430, 59510, 59514, 59515, 59525, 59610, 59612, 59614, 59618, 59620, 59622	Codes deleted/retired effective January 1, 2027.

REVISED CPT CODES:

The following CPT codes have revised descriptions or reporting requirements.

Revised CPT Code	Updated Description
59412, 59051, 59414, 59300, 59898, 59899	Codes revised effective January 1, 2027.

NEW CPT CODES

The following new CPT codes support phase-specific reporting of prenatal and postpartum care services.

New CPT Code	Description
59080, 59081, 59082, 59083, 59431, 59432, 59433, 59434, 59502, 59503, 59504, 59623	New codes effective January 1, 2027.

Questions:

Thank you for your network participation and attention to this matter. If you have questions about this communication, please contact Provider Service or your Provider Network Account Executive.

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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

What is changing?

The CPT coding used to support reporting of the Prenatal and Postpartum Care (PPC) measure is being updated. Beginning January 1, 2027, certain bundled prenatal and postpartum CPT codes will be retired and replaced with revised and new phase-specific codes.

When do the coding changes take effect?

The coding changes take effect January 1, 2027. Retired codes should not be reported for dates of service on or after that date.

How many codes were changed?

35 total codes were changed, including 17 deleted codes, 12 new codes and 6 revised codes.

Why are these updates being made?

The updates align with CMS guidance and support more accurate, consistent reporting of prenatal and postpartum care. Phase-specific coding helps identify services at the appropriate stage of care and supports quality measurement for the PPC measure.

Which codes are affected?

The update includes 17 retired codes, six revised codes, and 12 new codes. Providers should review the retired, revised, and new CPT code tables included in this communication and update internal billing, coding, and reporting processes accordingly.

Do providers need to take action before January 1, 2027?

Yes. Providers should coordinate with their billing, coding, and electronic health record vendors to ensure systems, templates, workflows, and reporting processes are updated before the effective date.

Can retired codes be reported after January 1, 2027?

No. Retired codes should not be reported for dates of service on or after January 1, 2027. Providers should use the appropriate revised or new phase-specific codes based on the service provided and applicable coding guidance.

Will these changes affect quality reporting?

Yes. The changes are intended to support more precise reporting for the PPC measure by capturing prenatal and postpartum services at the appropriate stage of care.

Where can providers go with questions?

Providers with questions should contact Provider Services or your Provider Network Account Executive.

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